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Applicant(s): Arguello *et al.*

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For: **METHODS FOR SEPARATING AND/OR IDENTIFYING DNA
MOLECULES**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

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Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action of March 27, 2001, for the above-referenced Patent Application, for one (1) month, from June 27, 2001 to July 27, 2001. The granting of the requested extension of time to July 27, 2001 will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit. Enclosed is a check for \$110.00 to cover the cost of extension in the small entity amount. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required with respect to this Petition, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for this purpose.

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